# CHARLOTTESVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES May 1, 2023 Council Chamber 4:00 PM

The Charlottesville City Council met on Monday, May 1, 2023. Mayor Lloyd Snook called the meeting to order, and Clerk of Council Kyna Thomas called the roll, noting all councilors present: Mayor Lloyd Snook, Vice Mayor Juandiego Wade and Councilors Michael Payne, Brian Pinkston and Leah Puryear.

On motion by Pinkston, seconded by Wade, Council unanimously approved the meeting agenda.

#### REPORTS

#### 1. Discussion: Focus on Homelessness: The State of the Unhoused and Unhoused Services

Anthony Haro, BRACH (Blue Ridge Area Coalition for the Homeless), began the presentation by providing information about the homeless services continuum of care, coordination, quality program development, grants management, and leadership on ending homelessness. He reported the PIT (Point in Time) Count data from 2010 - 2023. The report indicated:

- 459 people were documented on the By-Name List (BNL) as having been without a home over the year between April 2022-2023; 200 total people at a given time;
- 77% of BNL reported having not experienced homelessness locally in the two prior years;
- 206 days was the average length of stay in emergency shelters from April 2022 to April 2023 compared to 48 days in 2019;
- Our community needs 60 to 70 additional low-barrier, year-round emergency shelter beds

Mr. Haro stated that rental assistance and permanent supportive housing programs have been successful. Because of rental assistance and the focus on target populations, the number of homeless veterans reduced from 20-25 annually to a total of six, with the possibility of further reducing to four homeless veterans.

Misty Graves, Director of Human Services, shared information about the coordinated entry system, particularly the Homeless Information Line (HIL), which was created to assist people who are experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk of becoming homeless. She mentioned that operation of the HIL will transition to The Haven, and hours of operation will expand in FY24.

Anna Mendez, Executive Director, explained the role of The Haven, which provides a safe and welcoming space for people experiencing homelessness and poverty, supports individuals and families as they pursue stability through connections to resources, and performs creative housing interventions. The Haven provides day shelter services among other housing services.

Jayson Whitehead, Director of PACEM (People And Congregations Engaged in Ministry.), stated that PACEM was established as a collaboration between the faith community and emergency responders to reduce/eliminate deaths of unhoused neighbors due to hypothermia; as a low-barrier overnight emergency shelter for adults during the coldest months plus specialized housing programs for women and seniors; and to mobilize 80+ faith congregations and hundreds of volunteers, in partnership with the broader community of organizations serving greater Charlottesville. He provided data to show the number of unique guests served during the coronavirus pandemic. The Premier Circle Project introduced a 24/7 shelter model as opposed to a seasonal operation. Mr. Whitehead recommended bringing The Salvation Army into the sheltering conversation. Councilors and presenters discussed the contents of the presentation, collaboration among agencies, and future needs.

## **BUSINESS SESSION**

City Council began the business session by observing a moment of silence.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Pinkston announced Mr. Alex-Zan's "My Help List" winners:

Mayor Snook announced the Charlottesville City Schools art display downtown, where artwork from over 500 students in grades K-12 was displayed in windows along the Downtown Mall. He also announced the All High Schools Art show at McGuffey Art Center starting May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## **RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

• Proclamation: Older Americans Month

Vice Mayor Wade presented the proclamation to Marta Keane, JABA (Jefferson Area Board on Aging) Executive Director.

• Proclamation: Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. - Eta Phi Omega Chapter 60th Anniversary

Councilor Puryear presented the proclamation to Pamela Brown, President of the Eta Phi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

- **Proclamation: The Links, Inc. The Charlottesville Chapter 25th Anniversary** Councilor Puryear, Charter member, presented the proclamation to President Deborah Bell Burks of the Links, Inc. Charlottesville Chapter.
- Mayor Snook recognized the 54th Municipal Clerks Week

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Clerk of Council Kyna Thomas read the following Consent Agenda items into the record:

- 2. Minutes: April 3 regular meeting
- 3. Resolution: 2023 City Climate Protection Program Program Support Grant with LEAP -

\$78,833 (2nd reading)

a. Resolution: Appropriating \$78,833 from the 2023 Climate Protection Program Support Grant to the LEAP (Local Energy Alliance Program) (2nd reading)

#### **RESOLUTION** 2023 Climate Protection Program Support Grant - \$78,833

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that the sum of \$78,833 is hereby paid to LEAP from previously appropriated funds in the Gas Fund, Environmental Sustainability Cost Center as follows:

b. Resolution: Authorizing the city manager to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the Local Energy Alliance Program (LEAP) for grant funds to support the Climate Protection Program and promote energy performance improvements (2nd reading)

## RESOLUTION

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council for the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, that the City Manager is hereby authorized to sign the following document, attached hereto, in form approved by the City Attorney or his designee. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City and the Local Energy Alliance Program (LEAP) for grant funds to support the Climate Protection Program and promote energy performance improvements.

- 4. Resolution: Resolutions to award FY23 Charlottesville Affordable Housing Funds (CAHF) (2nd reading)
  - a. Resolution: \$187,500 to the Charlottesville Redevelopment and Housing Authority (CRHA) for a Public Housing HVAC Equity Project (2nd reading)

## RESOLUTION

## Allocation of Charlottesville Affordable Housing Fund (CAHF) for Charlottesville Redevelopment and Housing Authority (CRHA) Public Housing HVAC Equity Project -\$187,500

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that the sum of \$187,500 be allocated from previously appropriated funds in the Charlottesville Affordable Housing Fund (CAHF) to Charlottesville Redevelopment and Housing Authority (CRHA) for the purpose of providing funds for the Public Housing HVAC Equity Project.

Fund: 426	Project: CP-084	G/L Account:	530670

Charlottesville Redevelopment and Housing Authority (CRHA) \$187,500

b. Resolution: \$67,806 to Community Services Housing, Inc. for rehabilitation repairs to preserve Community Services Housing Properties (2nd reading)

#### RESOLUTION

## Allocation of Charlottesville Affordable Housing Fund (CAHF) for Community Services Housing, Inc. Rehabilitation Repairs to Preserve Community Services Housing Properties - \$67,806

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that the sum of \$67,806 be allocated from previously appropriated funds in the Charlottesville Affordable Housing Fund (CAHF) to Community Services Housing, Inc. for the purpose of providing funds for the Rehabilitation Repairs to Preserve Community Services Housing Properties program.

Fund: 426	Project:	CP-084	G/L Account:	530670
Community Services	Housing, Inc.		\$67,806	

c. Resolution: \$225,000 for the Habitat for Humanity of Greater Charlottesville Transitions to Homeownership 2023 project (2nd reading)

#### RESOLUTION

#### Allocation of Charlottesville Affordable Housing Fund (CAHF) for Habitat for Humanity of Greater Charlottesville Transitions to Homeownership 2023 - 225,000

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that the sum of \$225,000 be allocated from previously appropriated funds in the Charlottesville Affordable Housing Fund (CAHF) to Habitat for Humanity of Greater Charlottesville for the purpose of providing funds for the Transitions to Homeownership 2023 project.

Fund: 426 Project: CP-0	G/L Account: 530670
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Habitat for Humanity of Greater Charlottesville \$225,000

d. Resolution: \$167,972 for the Piedmont Housing Alliance Anti-displacement through Prospect Homeownership Project (2nd reading)

## RESOLUTION

#### Allocation of Charlottesville Affordable Housing Fund (CAHF) for Piedmont Housing Alliance Anti-displacement through Prospect Homeownership - \$167,972

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that the sum of \$167,972 be allocated from previously

appropriated funds in the Charlottesville Affordable Housing Fund (CAHF) to Piedmont Housing Alliance for the purpose of providing funds for the Anti-displacement through Prospect Homeownership program.

Project: CP-084 Fund: 426 G/L Account: 530670

\$167,972 Piedmont Housing Alliance

#### e. Resolution: \$186,722 for the Virginia Supportive Housing Premier Circle PSH Project, with conditions (2nd reading)

#### **RESOLUTION**

#### Allocation of Charlottesville Afforda ble Housing Fund (CAHF) for Virginia Supportive Housing, Premier Circle PSH - \$186,722

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that the sum of \$186,722 be allocated from previously appropriated funds in the Charlottesville Affordable Housing Fund (CAHF) to Virginia Supportive Housing for the purpose of providing funds for the Premier Circle PSH project, with the condition that all funding be used for capital expenses only.

G/L Account: 530670 Fund: 426 Project: CP-084 \$186,722

Virginia Supportive Housing

5. Resolution: Appropriating Rescue Squad Assistance Fund (RSAF) grant funding for AEDs in the amount of \$14,550 (carried)

6. Resolution: Authorizing Participation in a Cooperative Partnership Application for State **Opioid Abatement Authority Grant Funding** 

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA'S** PARTICIPATION IN A VIRGINIA OPIOID ABATEMENT AUTHORITY (OAA) **COOPERATIVE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH REGION 10 COMMUNITY** SERVICE BOARD AND VARIOUS OTHER LOCALITIES

WHEREAS, the mission of the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority (OAA) is to abate and remediate the opioid epidemic in the Commonwealth through financial support in the form of grants, donations, or other assistance; and

WHEREAS, the OAA operates a financial assistance program to support certain cooperative partnerships of cities and/or counties in Virginia that implement regional efforts to treat, prevent, and reduce opioid use disorder and the misuse of opioids; and

WHEREAS, the cities and/or counties listed below, including the City of Charlottesville, have committed to work together to develop and jointly submit an application for regional cooperative partnership funding from the OAA; and

**WHEREAS**, at least two of the cities and/or counties listed below are located within the same region of the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the cities and/or counties and other organizations listed below agree they will execute a legally binding agreement formalizing the cooperating partnership if the application for financial assistance is approved; and

**WHEREAS**, the cities and/or counties and other organizations listed below agree that the signatory cities, counties and other organizations will designate the County of Albemarle as a fiscal agent for the cooperative partnership if it is awarded; and

**WHEREAS**, the cities and/or counties and other organizations listed below seek to mutually pursue grant funding collaboratively from the OAA for Fiscal Year 2024.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the cities and/or counties and other organizations listed below hereby authorize the County of Albemarle, Virginia, acting as fiscal agent to execute the cooperative partnership grant application to the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority and to execute all documents in connection therewith.

Name of City, County, or Organization	Printed Name of Authorized Signor	Title of Authorized Signor Signature	Signature
Albemarle County	Jeffrey Richardson	Albemarle County Executive	
Nelson County	Candice McGarry	Nelson County Administrator	
City of Charlottesville	Michael C. Rogers	Interim City Manager	

7. Ordinance: Amending City Code Section 22-4. Methods of Procurement Authorized, to increase the bid bond limit from \$100,000 to \$200,000 (carried)

#### Mayor Snook opened the floor for public comment on the consent agenda.

- Teddy Durfee, 4th year student at UVA, spoke about climate protection and the need for investment to create a more bikeable and walkable city.

On motion by Pinkston, seconded by Wade, Council voted unanimously to adopt the consent agenda: 5-0 (Ayes: Payne, Pinkston, Puryear, Snook, Wade; Noes: none).

## **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

Interim City Manager Michael Rogers congratulated Paul Beyer and the organizers of the Tom Tom Festival. He commended Girls on the Run at Burnley-Moran. He stated that interviews for City Attorney will conclude this week. The national search for Fire Chief will open soon and he hopes to hire within 90 days. Inez Gonzalez, Executive Director of the Police Civilian Oversight Board and Antoine Williams, Housing Coordinator, began their roles today. Deputy City Manager Ashley Marshall stated that the CAYIP (Community Attention Youth Internship Program) summer application process closed today, and business or organization sponsors are still welcome to sign up.

Deputy City Manager Sam Sanders announced that the new permitting process went online today, so customers can initiate building permits online and track progress. Other permits will go live in the Fall. The Public Works Fleet Division was recognized with Honorable Mention for the National Association of Fleet Administrators 100 Best Fleet Awards...

Councilor Pinkston asked for Mr. Byers to speak about this year's Tom Tom Festival. Mr. Byers thanked the many volunteers for their work to make the festival a success, and he thanked Council for attending events. He highlighted various activities that welcomed a wide variety of attendees, and stated an intention to provide diversity in activities to make as many people as possible feel welcome.

Mayor Snook commended the bike race held on May 13.

## **COMMUNITY MATTERS**

Mayor Snook opened the floor for comments from the public.

- 1. Jordan Perez, a first-year student at UVA, encouraged the city to follow through on the Climate Action Plan and to make the city more accessible for walkers and bikers.
- 2. Kate Fraleigh, city resident, encouraged Charlottesville taking a proactive approach to support a pipeline for people who want to work in the behavioral health field. She spoke about opportunities at CATEC and PVCC.
- 3. John Pfaltz, city resident, spoke in opposition to the city building a multi-use path along the south side of Barracks Road because the slope is too steep for bicycles, and he stated that going downhill on the slope would lead to people breaking the law because of speed. He encouraged spending funds to connect existing portions of the multi-use pathways, and avoid cutting down 53 mature trees.
- 4. Mila Ranocha, undergraduate student at UVA, spoke about the city's use of natural gas, and the need to transition to renewable energy.
- 5. Emily K. Johnson, local clinical social worker, spoke in support of efforts to help the homeless population. She noted a significant increase in evictions of people who have complex medical care needs, and about the subsequent expense to the community, as well as a decline in mental health for the homelessness individuals.
- 6. Maira Asmat, undergraduate student at UVA, urged Council to create a more walkable and bikeable city, prioritizing walkability. She also encouraged Council to revisit the recommendations in the 2015 Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan and to update it.
- 7. Taneesha Hudson voiced complaints from community members regarding the bus routes being altered during a bike race on May 13. She expressed a desire for the city to have city-sponsored events for Unity Days, and she stated a need for bus stop shelters.
- 8. Isabella Guituzo, first-year student at UVA, advocated for increased walkability in the city.

She spoke about construction risks and risks to walkers from increased reckless since the coronavirus pandemic. She requested consistency to ensure that construction standards are timely and meet safety requirements around pedestrian crossings.

- 9. Robin Hoffman, city resident, thanked David Dillehunt, Deputy Director of Communications, and encouraged the hiring of a Communications Director. She spoke in support of community safety, in support of Girls on the Run, and in support of solar energy.
- 10. Tom Gallagher, city resident, spoke against the city building a multi-use path along the south side of Barracks Road because of the slope of the hill, and the requirements to expand the sidewalk and remove the tree canopy.
- 11. Corinne Sweeney, undergraduate student at UVA, urged Council to establish a local green bank to fund incentives for transition to clean energy.
- 12. Kanaya Jones, undergraduate student at UVA, urged Council to establish a local green bank and a C-PACE to fund incentives for transition to clean energy and to impact equity and class divisions. He stated that lower income individuals are disproportionately impacted by energy costs.
- 13. AJ Farkas, undergraduate student at UVA, spoke about the city's use of natural gas, and the need to transition to renewable energy. He encouraged Council to change the City Code immediately to halt the subsidization of residential gas.
- 14. Charles Melvin, undergraduate student at UVA, encouraged the city to make the city more accessible to bikes, and to be more pedestrian-friendly, with sidewalk and crosswalk improvements, more and sturdier bike racks, and traffic calming measures.
- 15. Michelle Harnisch, undergraduate student at UVA, spoke about the need to preserve and increase the city's tree canopy. She spoke about the need to balance high density affordable housing with preserving tree canopy and she suggested using "green bracelets" to connect parks and natural resources to walkable and bikeable paths.
- 16. Dylan Jiron, undergraduate student at UVA, spoke about the city's natural gas utility, specifically decreased subsidies to natural gas and increased support for renewable energy.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

## 8. Public hearing/Resolution: TJPDC HOME Consortium Five-Year Consolidated Plan (Program Years 2023 - 2027) and the City of Charlottesville Annual Action Plan (FY 2023 - 2024)

Alex Ikefuna, Office of Community Solutions Director, introduced Laurie Jean Talun with the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission, who reviewed the Five-Year Consolidated Plan, as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The current Plan is set to expire June 30, 2023.

Ms. Talun described the HOME Investment Partnership Program and the activities that the HOME program has committed to for the next five years: homeowner rehabilitation, affordable homebuyer homes for purchase by low income buyers, down payment assistance, and rental assistance. The Community Development Block Grant funds will also be used toward these focus areas; however, the timeframe is for one year.

Anthony Warn, Grants Analyst with the Office of Community Solutions, presented the proposed resolutions.

Mayor Snook opened the public hearing. With no speakers coming forward, the mayor closed the public hearing.

On motion by Payne, seconded by Pinkston, Council unanimously APPROVED the following three resolutions with one vote: 5-0 (Ayes: Payne, Pinkston, Puryear, Snook, Wade; Noes: none).

#### RESOLUTION

#### Appropriation of Community Development Block Grant Funds Anticipated from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as part of the City's FY 2023-2024 Annual Action Plan, in the Amount of Approximately \$410,468

**WHEREAS** the City of Charlottesville has been advised by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development of an anticipated Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) allocation for the 2023-2024 fiscal year in the approximated amount of \$410,468; and

**WHEREAS** City Council has received recommendations for the expenditure of funds from the city's CDBG/HOME Task Force, as reviewed and approved by the City Planning Commission, which conducted a public hearing thereon as provided by law; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Charlottesville, Virginia, that upon receipt of anticipated CDBG funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), said funds are hereby appropriated to the following individual expenditure accounts in the Community Development Block Grant Fund in accordance with the respective purposes set forth; provided, however, that the City Manager is hereby authorized to transfer funds between and among such individual accounts as circumstances may require, to the extent permitted by applicable federal grant regulations, as set forth below:

#### **Community Services**

Fund	Account Code	Funding Recommendation	Proposed Award
218	1900514	Resident-Centered Redevelopment	\$40,000.00
		(Charlottesville Public Housing Association of	
		Residents)	

Fund	Account Code	Funding Recommendation	Proposed Award
218	1900515	Microenterprise Entrepreneur Programs	\$25,000.00
		(Community Investment Collaborative)	
218	1900516	Beginning Level Workforce Development	\$64,477.89
		(Literacy Volunteers of Charlottesville/Albemarle)	

## **Economic Development**

#### **CDBG Housing**

Fund	Account Code	Funding Recommendation	Proposed Award
218	1900517	Charlottesville Critical Rehab Program	\$40,000.00
		(Albemarle Housing Improvement	
		Program)	
218	1900518	Coordinated Entry into Homelessness	\$45,000.00
		System of Care (The Haven at First &	
		Market St.)	

## **Programmatic Funds**

Fund	Account Code	Funding Recommendation	Proposed Award
218	3914001000	Planning & Admin	\$82,093.60
218	1900520	Council Priority: Public Facilities & Improvements	\$89,896.51

Subtotal CDBG Funding Recommendations \$410,468.00

In the event that funding received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for FY 2023-2024 differs from the amounts referenced above, all appropriated amounts may be administratively increased/reduced at the same prorated percentage of change to actual funding received. No sub-recipient's grant may be increased above their initial funding request without further consideration by Council.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this appropriation is conditioned upon the receipt of not less than \$410,468 in CDBG funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for FY 2023-2024, and all sub-recipient awards are also conditioned upon receipt of such funds.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the amounts appropriated above within this resolution will be provided as grants to public agencies or private non-profit, charitable organizations (individually and collectively, "sub-recipients") and shall be utilized by the sub-recipients solely for the purpose stated within their grant applications. The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into agreements with each sub-recipient as deemed advisable, to ensure that the grants are expended for their intended purposes and in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations. To this end, the City Manager, the Director of Finance, and public officers to whom any responsibility is delegated by the City Manager pursuant to City Code Section 2-147, are authorized to establish administrative procedures and provide for guidance and assistance in the sub-recipients' execution of the funded programs.

#### RESOLUTION

#### Appropriation of HOME Investment Partnership Program Funds Anticipated from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as part of the City's FY 2023-2024 Annual Action Plan, in the Amount of Approximately \$98,161

**WHEREAS** the City of Charlottesville has been advised by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that the region served by the Thomas Jefferson Area HOME Consortium will be receiving an anticipated HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) allocation for fiscal year 2023-2024, of which the City will receive approximately \$98,161 to support affordable housing initiatives; and

**WHEREAS** City Council has received recommendations for the expenditure of funds from the city's CDBG/HOME Task Force, as reviewed and approved by the City Planning Commission, which conducted a public hearing thereon as provided by law; and

**WHEREAS** it is a requirement of this grant that projects funded with HOME initiatives money must be matched with local funding in varying degrees; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Charlottesville, Virginia, that upon receipt of anticipated HOME funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), said funds are hereby appropriated to the following individual expenditure accounts in the HOME Fund in accordance with the respective purposes set forth; provided, however, that the City Manager is hereby authorized to transfer funds between and among such individual accounts as circumstances may require, to the extent permitted by applicable federal grant regulations, as set forth below:

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Fund	Account	Funding Recommendation	Proposed Award
	Code		
210	1900519	Permanent & Long-Term Affordable	\$98,161.00
		Homeownership Opportunities (Piedmont	
		Housing Alliance)	
	Subtotal HOME Funding Recommendations		

## **HOME Investment Partnerships**

#### **HOME Local Match Funds**

Transfer from	1:				
Fund	Cost Center	G/L Account	Amount to	o Transfer	
426	CP-084	561425	\$19,6	32.20	
Transfer to:	Transfer to:				
Fund	Cost Center	G/L Account	Receiving	g Amount	
425	P-00507	498010	\$19,6	32.20	
	Subtotal HOME Local Match Funding \$19,632.20				

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that the amount of \$19,632.20 is hereby appropriated from the Charlottesville Housing Fund for expenditure as the local match for HOME funding received from HUD (a transfer from Fund 426 to Fund 425; from Lump Sum: CP-084 to WBS: P-00507; from GL: 561425 to GL: 498010); and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this appropriation is conditioned upon the receipt of not less than \$98,161 in HOME funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for FY 2023-2024, and all sub-recipient awards are also conditioned upon receipt of such funds, and

In the event that funding received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for FY 2023-2024 differs from the amounts referenced above, all appropriated amounts may be administratively increased/reduced at the same prorated percentage of change to actual funding received. No sub-recipient's grant may be increased above their initial funding request without further consideration by Council.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the amounts appropriated above within this resolution will be provided as grants to public agencies or private non-profit, charitable organizations (individually and collectively, "sub-recipients") and shall be utilized by the sub-recipients solely for the purpose stated within their grant applications. The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into agreements with each sub-recipient as deemed advisable, to ensure that the grants are expended for their intended purposes and in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations. To this end, the City Manager, the Director of Finance, and public officers to whom any responsibility is delegated by the City Manager pursuant to City Code Section 2-147, are authorized to establish administrative procedures and provide for guidance and assistance in the sub-recipients' execution of the funded programs.

#### RESOLUTION

#### Approving the Thomas Jefferson Area HOME Consortium Five-Year Consolidated Plan (FY 2023-2027) and the City of Charlottesville One-Year Annual Action Plan (FY 2023-2024)

**WHEREAS** the City of Charlottesville is a designated Entitlement Community by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and as such is a recipient of federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds, and

**WHEREAS** the City of Charlottesville is a contributing member of the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission Area HOME Consortium, in partnership with the counties of Albemarle, Fluvanna, Greene, Louisa and Nelson, and through the Consortium shares in the benefits of participation in HUD's HOME program,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of Charlottesville, Virginia, hereby approves the Thomas Jefferson Area HOME Consortium Five-Year Consolidated Plan (FY 2023-2027) and the City of Charlottesville One-Year Annual Action Plan (FY 2023-2024), as presented at the May 1, 2023, meeting of the City Council.

# 9. Resolution: Resolution Transferring \$1,710,854 of Unallocated American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds

Chris Cullinan, Director of Finance, presented the request.

Council and staff discussed the request to transfer funds to "Success Factors HRIS System and Implementation", and how it rose to the level of priority for use of these funds. Mr. Rogers stated that it is a city management priority to strengthen the Human Resources Department and procure a system that would be compatible with the upgraded SAP financial management system. He emphasized that it would take time to acquire, implement, and train staff on the new system, so it is imperative to move forward now rather than to wait.

Councilor Payne expressed a desire to see the range of options for funding in order to give input on priorities before being asked to vote on the allocation of funds.

On motion by Pinkston, seconded by Wade, Council by the following vote APPROVED the resolution transferring unallocated American Rescue Plan funds: 4-1(Ayes: Pinkston, Puryear, Snook, Wade; Nays: Payne) Councilor Payne expressed opposition to the process. Staff indicated that unallocated funds will be presented in the future to Council for consideration.

## **RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS FOR American Rescue Plan for Eligible Local Activities - \$1,710,854**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that the sum of \$1,710,854 from previously appropriated, unallocated American Rescue Plan funds is hereby designated to be available for expenditure for costs associated with following eligible purposes and amounts:

Transfer from:		
Unallocated Revenue Replacement Funds	s. I/O 1900498	\$1,375,854.
ARP 1 Unallocated Funds.	I/O 1900480	\$335,000.
TOTAL.		\$1,710,854.
Transfer to:		
Success Factors HRIS System and Implex ADA Transition Plan Update.	mentation.	\$1,375,854. \$240,000.

Fire Department Uses:	
Public Safety Messaging Materials.	\$30,000.
"Stop the Bleed" kits, training, outreach.	\$5,000.
Ballistic vests.	\$60,000.
TOTAL.	\$1,710,854.

Note: account codes will be established following the first reading and approval of these transfers.

# 10. Resolution: Appropriating \$2,000,000 in FY23 Capital Improvement Program for Stribling Avenue Sidewalk and Buford School Reconfiguration Projects (carried)

Deputy City Manager Sam Sanders presented the funding request, stating that 1) the Stribling Avenue Sidewalk Project is ready to move into the design phase and will require an additional \$500,000 to the amount that was previously appropriated, and 2) an advance allocation to make funds available for the July 2023 project start of the Buford project.

Council agreed to carry the two resolutions forward to the May 15 consent agenda for second reading and vote.

#### 11. Ordinance: Continuity of Government during the Covid-19 Pandemic disaster; supplemental changes and ratification (1 reading with four-fifths vote; or 2 readings)

Interim City Attorney Andrew McRoberts with Sands Anderson PC presented the ordinance.

On motion by Payne, seconded by Pinkston, Council by a vote of 5-0 ADOPTED the following ordinance upon one reading.

ORDINANCE TO ASSURE CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC DISASTER BY ENACTING AND AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL TEMPORARY CHANGES IN CERTAIN DEADLINES, MODIFIED SUPPLEMENTAL AND REMEDIAL PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES, AND OTHER EMERGENCY ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ASSURE SAFE AND EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

## 12. Resolution: Amending the FY 2024 Budget for the City's contribution to Jaunt

Krisy Hammill, Budget Director, introduced the request as a housekeeping item for a budget item that was intended to come back for Council consideration during the FY2024 budget approval process.

On motion by Pinkston, seconded by Wade, Council by a vote of 5-0 APPROVED the following resolution.

#### **RESOLUTION** To Reallocate Funds in the FY 2024 for Jaunt - \$530,151

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2024 City of Charlottesville, VA budget reflected a City Contribution in the amount of \$1,443,081;

**WHEREAS**, the Charlottesville City Council wishes to fully fund Jaunt's request in the amount of \$1,973,232;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, that the sum of \$530,121 is hereby transferred in the following manner:

Transfer from	<u>m:</u>		
\$530,151	Fund: 105	Cost Center: 1631001000	G/L Account: 599999
<b>Transfer to:</b>			
\$530,151	Fund: 105	Cost Center: 972300100	G/L Account: 540100

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a payment from Jaunt is due to the City of Charlottesville as its share of an excess distribution in the amount of \$281,171 based on FY 22 results. Once received, those funds will be deposited in the Citywide Reserve account and remain available for spending in FY 24 accordingly.

## **COMMUNITY MATTERS (2)**

- Kate Fraleigh, city resident, spoke in support of allocating American Rescue Plan funds to support a mental career ladder pipeline. She requested that the Department of Human Services get in contact with the Mental Health and Wellness Coalition.
- Robin Hoffman, city resident, spoke about being a healthcare worker during the Coronavirus pandemic. She stated that assisted living facilities still have insufficient staffing.

The meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

BY Order of City Council

BY Kyna Thomas, Clerk of Council